

TOWNSHIP OF LYONS

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SPECIAL MEETING

THE TOWNSHIP OF LYONS BOARD OF TRUSTEES will hold a Special Meeting at 6:00 P.M. on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 in the Township Community Room, 6404 Joliet Road, Countryside, Illinois 60525. The purpose of the meeting will be for the review of proposals regarding auditing services for the Township of Lyons and to consider and discuss the Proposed Budgets of Township Offices and Departments for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

LYONS TOWNSHIP AGENDA BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING APRIL 10, 2019 6:00 P.M.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. ROLL CALL
- 4. AUDITING SERVICES PROPOSALS REVIEW
- 5. CONSIDERATION AND DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED BUDGETS OF TOWNSHIP OFFICES AND DEPARTMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 7. ADJOURNMENT

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES BOARD OF TRUSTEES APRIL 10, 2019

(PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL AT THE MEETING OF MAY 14, 2019)

- 1. The Board of Trustees of the Township of Lyons held a Special Board Meeting on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall, 6404 Joliet Road, Countryside, Illinois 60525.
- 2. Supervisor Getty called the Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.
- 3. Supervisor Getty called for the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4. Clerk Porfirio called the Roll and the following were present:

Christopher Getty

Supervisor

Thomas W. Garrette

Trustee

Timothy M. Sprague

Trustee

Colleen H. Kelly

Trustee

Also, in attendance were Barbara Weyrick, Assessor; George Pach, Deputy Clerk; Liz Shine, Attorney with Odelson & Sterk Ltd; Juanell Smith, Finance Director.

- 5. Supervisor Getty asked the Board to table Agenda Line Item #4 "Auditing Services Proposals Review" until additional proposals are received. Supervisor Getty stated that presently only 2 proposals have been submitted. Trustee Garrette moved, Trustee Kelly seconded to table Agenda Line Item #4 "Auditing Services Proposals Review" until additional proposals are received. Voice Vote in favor by all. Motion Carried.
- 6. Supervisor Getty stated that in regards to the 2019-2020 budget, he is proposing a 2.5% increase across the board for all Township of Lyons employees and a 2% increase for Township Officials per a previous measure of the Township Board effective the next pay period.
- 7. Supervisor Getty commented that in regards to Town Hall expenses, he has suggested a significant increase for maintenance / repairs due to two more air conditioning units that are scheduled to be replaced and repairs to the building exterior which need to be made. Supervisor Getty reported that last year expenditures for maintenance / repairs were roughly \$59,000.00 due to the two air conditioning units that needed to be replaced as well as the electrical upgrades needed for the entire building.

In regards to other Town Hall expenses, Supervisor Getty increased the landscaping budget by \$400.00 and increased the Equipment / Repairs Line Item under Town Hall Expenses from \$1,000.00 to \$2,500.00.

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8. Supervisor Getty reported that under the Clerk's Office, the proposed budget saw a slight increase in the Part Time Officers Expense, in the Equipment Purchase Line Item in anticipation for the purchase of a new computer and in Public Information for the possible publication of a newsletter for the residents in the hopes of creating greater transparency and the disclosure of more information.

- 9. Supervisor Getty stated that under the Assessor's Proposed Office Budget, the budget for Part Time Office Help has been decreased to \$12,000, the Equipment Repair and Maintenance Budget Line Item reduced to \$500.00 and the Transportation / Parking Budget Line Item reduced to \$500.00.
- 10. Supervisor Getty commented that the General Town Fund Proposed Budget had basically remained the same as the previous year with only the line item for Legal having been decreased by \$5,000.00 from \$130,000.00 to \$125,000.00.
- 11. Supervisor Getty reported that under Community Programs, Youth Programs was increased by \$5,000.00 from \$140,000.00 to \$145,000.00 and that Community Projects was decreased \$5,000.00 from \$130,000.00 to \$125,000.00.
- 12. Supervisor Getty stated that within the Proposed Senior Transportation Budget, the Uniform Purchases Line Item was increased to \$3,500.00 to accommodate for the purchase of vests and shirts which would identify the Senior Transportation drivers to the residents whom they pick up, that the Senior Transportation Line Item for Bus Purchases has been decreased from \$30,000.00 to \$5,000.00 and that the Radio Maintenance and Repair Line Item has been increased due to the anticipated purchase of hand held radios for all drivers which would be in addition to the stationary radios already installed in all the buses except one.
- 13. Supervisor Getty reported that the only Proposed Line Item in the Proposed Budget outstanding is for interest owed upon the General Obligation Park Bonds Series 2009. On this point, Juanell Smith, Township of Lyons' Finance Director, was asked by Supervisor Getty if she could provide some clarification.

Ms. Smith replied that she had spoken with Amalgamated Bank which stated that the funds owed are currently in escrow so that the interest amount owed by the Township would come directly out of the escrow account set up specifically for the

bond repayment. Attorney Elizabeth Shine commented that she believes that that is how the Bond repayment is set up, but will check for verification.

- 14. Supervisor Getty commented that the Proposed Budget for Special Police services rendered by the Cook County Sheriff for the unincorporated area of the Township has been increased from \$86,000.00 to \$88,000.00.
- 15. Supervisor Getty reported that in the Proposed Budget for Road and Bridge, Highway Commissioner Sean McDermott decreased the line item for Street Repairs by \$20,000.00, but increased other line items in his budget in varying amounts to reflect the decrease.
- 16. Supervisor Getty asked if there were any questions, concerns or comments on the items he explained, and hearing none, Trustee Garrette moved, Trustee Kelly seconded to approve the budgets, striking any line item subject to the referencing of the Series 2009 General Obligation Bonds, to direct the clerk to hang the Proposed Budget for the statutory period of time and that a public hearing be scheduled after the Proposed Budget Ordinance has been hung for thirty (30) days.

Barb Weyrick, Township of Lyons' Assessor, then addressed her comments to the Board since she had previously spoken to Supervisor Getty, to reconsider reinstating her budget to the amount that she had originally submitted. Assessor Weyrick believes that everything she is asking for is covered by Illinois State Statute which dictates that the assessor's office must be run in the most efficient way.

Supervisor Getty explained for the record that any line items that may have been removed from any of the proposed budgets were done so because either they were outdated line items, items of small monetary amounts or items that were never or virtually never used.

Supervisor Getty asked if there were any more comments or discussions on the budgets. Hearing none, Supervisor Getty asked Clerk Porfirio to call the roll on the aforestated motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Sprague, Garrette, Kelly, Getty

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

17. Adjournment – Trustee Garrette moved, Trustee Sprague seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

Voice Vote in favor by all.

Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Porfirio

Township of Lyons Clerk